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## CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ WAIVER REQUEST  
☐ RECONSIDERATION REQUEST

DATE: 6/25/2021  
DOCKET #:

### FILER INFORMATION

Name: Chance Henry  
Office: Police Juror, District 3  
Parish: ACADIA  
Election Date: 10/12/2019  
Level of Office: Any

1174 LaFosse Rd.  
Morse, LA 70559-2200

### REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: SUPP2020  
Original Due Date: 2/18/2021  
Date Filed: 2/23/2021  
Activity Receipts: \$0  
Expenditures: \$0  
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$34.29

### LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$200  
Days Late: 5  
Late Fee Order Received: 5/1/2021  
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 5/21/2021  
Waiver Request Received: 5/8/2021  
Additional Information Requested:

- Medical
- Financial
- Other

COMMENTS: Candidate mailed in his waiver request and states he requests a reassessment of the fees because due to the unprecedented freezes impacting our state from 2/14-2/18 this letter was delayed in being brought to the post office for mailing. He said in his role as Police Jury President he was responsible for preparation on the parish level while his wife handled his home preparations and their two small children during daycare and work closures. He said that his campaign account only has \$34.29 which was unchanged from the beginning of the year. He states that as such he respectfully disagrees that a \$200 late fee is appropriate and asks the Board o please consider a lesser fee in more proportion to the current financial status of the campaign.

### OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

#### Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No  
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No  
Prior Late Fees: Yes  
Reassessed Late Fees: No

#### Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No  
Prior Late Fees: No

May 3, 2021

Louisiana Board of Ethics  
PO Box 4368  
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

To Whom it May Concern,

In regards to the late fee pursuant to La R.S. 18:1505.4 and La R.S. 18:1511.4.1 for a total of \$200 assessed for the 2020 Supplemental Campaign Finance Report for October 12, 2019, I respectfully request a reassessment of the fee by the Board of Ethics on the following grounds.

- Due to the unprecedented freezes impacting our state from February 14, 2021 to February 18, 2021, this letter was delayed in being brought to the local post office for mailing. In my role as Acadia Parish Police Jury President, I was responsible for preparation on the parish level while my wife handled our home preparations and our two small children during daycare and work closures.
- As of December 31, 2020, the balance on the account was \$34.29 and was unchanged from the beginning of the year. As such, I respectfully disagree that a \$200 late fee is appropriate and ask that you please consider a lesser fee in more proportionate to the current financial status of the campaign.
- During active campaigning in 2019, we had someone knowledgeable of the campaign financial reporting and personal disclosure guidelines handling these reports. However, since that time, it has become mine and my wife's responsibility. Since we receive the certified letter notifying us that this report needed to be filed and had not been, we have created a calendar for all additional reporting requirements and intend to follow it. It can be easy to forget about these reports in the years where active campaigns are not occurring.

I would like to thank the Board of Ethics in advance for taking their time to consider this matter and render their recommendation. I look forward to hearing from you and settling this matter as you see fit considering the circumstances above. I do agree to pay whatever fine is deemed necessary after this reassessment and will not contest any further.

Sincerely,  
Chance K. Henry



Acadia Parish Police Juror, District 3  
Acadia Parish Police Jury President

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April 27, 2021

Mr. Chance Henry  
1174 LaFosse Rd.  
Morse, LA 70559-2200

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

NO. 70180360000074745460

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

RE: Late fee assessment for the October 12, 2019 Election  
2020 Supplemental Campaign Finance Disclosure Report filed 5 days late

Dear Mr. Henry:

Enclosed is an assessment of a late fee pursuant to La R.S. 18:1505.4 and La. R.S. 18:1511.4.1. Please submit a check or money order in the amount of **\$200** payable to the Treasurer of the State of Louisiana to P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821. **Please note that late fees can only be paid by the candidate or by his campaign.**

**You have 20 days from receipt of this letter to dispute this assessment. You may elect to do either or both of the following:**

1. You may submit your request for a waiver to the attention of the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Waivers are handled by the Ethics Board. The Board of Ethics may reduce, suspend, or decline to waive a late fee assessment based on the cause shown by the person, candidate, or political committee. If you submit a request for a waiver of the late fee to the Board of Ethics, your request should contain details as to why, in your opinion, you have good cause why your report was not timely filed. Also, if you would like to appear before the Board of Ethics in connection with your request, you should state that in your letter. The request should be submitted to the attention of the Board of Ethics at the following address: P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

2. You may appeal **the assessment** directly to the Ethics Adjudicatory Board (EAB).

Appeals to the EAB are proceedings before a three judge panel. The determination is made regarding whether the person, candidate, or political committee was required to file the report and whether the report was filed late. **Mitigating factors are not considered during an EAB proceeding. The EAB does not have the authority to reduce, suspend, or waive a late fee assessment.** If you choose to appeal the assessment to the EAB, you should submit your request for an appeal to the attention of the Executive Secretary of the Louisiana Board of Ethics at P. O. Box 4368, Baton Rouge, LA 70821 or fax at (225) 381-7271.

If you timely submit a waiver request or appeal, your name will not be posted on the website pending the result of your appeal. Furthermore, if you request an appearance, you will be notified of the place and time prior to the meeting.

If you do not **pay or dispute** the assessment of the late fee within 20 days from the receipt of this letter, the matter will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Office to pursue collection. If the matter is forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for collection, you may be responsible for all additional costs incurred. Additionally, late fees not paid by the due date will be posted on the agency website.

***You should be aware that unpaid campaign finance fines, fees or penalties may have an adverse effect on your ability to run for public office in the future, as the Board of Ethics will object to your future qualifications for candidacy for public office pursuant to La. R.S. 18:491 and R.S. 18:492.***

Sincerely,

LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS

Melissa Horn

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**STATE OF LOUISIANA LOUISIANA BOARD OF ETHICS**  
**acting in its capacity as the**  
**SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE DISCLOSURE**

**In Re:      Chance Henry**  
**October 12, 2019 Election**

**LATE FEE ASSESSMENT ORDER**

**WHEREAS**, Chance Henry, in his capacity as a candidate for Police Juror, District 3 in the October 12, 2019 election was required to file campaign finance reports pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1484.


**WHEREAS**, La. R.S. 18:1505.1 provides that it is a violation of the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act to fail to timely file campaign finance reports.

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1495.4D, Chance Henry was required to file a Supplemental Report by February 18, 2021. Chance Henry filed the report on February 23, 2021 and was 5 days late.

**WHEREAS**, La. R.S. 18:1505.4A(2)(a)(iii) provides that an automatic late fee of \$40 per day (not to exceed \$1,000) be assessed against Chance Henry for this late filing.

**ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED** that a late fee of \$200 is assessed against Chance Henry for failure to timely file his campaign finance disclosure report.

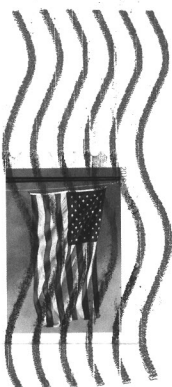
**ORDER** signed on the 27th day of April 2021 at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

  
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Angela Newsom, Director  
Campaign Finance & Lobbying Division

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